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**Reply Under 37 CFR §1.111  
INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Sir,

In response to the Official Office Action mailed April 21, 2004, and having a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply, please enter the following amendment to the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration or further examination of the claimed invention and consideration of the remarks herein.